[No. 256]

(SB 1224)

AN ACT to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "An act to protect and promote the public health; to codify, revise, consolidate, classify, and add to the laws relating to public health; to provide for the prevention and control of diseases and disabilities; to provide for the classification, administration, regulation, financing, and maintenance of personal, environmental, and other health services and activities; to create or continue, and prescribe the powers and duties of, departments, boards, commissions, councils, committees, task forces, and other agencies; to prescribe the powers and duties of governmental entities and officials; to regulate occupations, facilities, and agencies affecting the public health; to regulate health maintenance organizations and certain third party administrators and insurers; to provide for the imposition of a regulatory fee; to promote the efficient and economical delivery of health care services, to provide for the appropriate utilization of health care facilities and services, and to provide for the closure of hospitals or consolidation of hospitals or services; to provide for the collection and use of data and information; to provide for the transfer of property; to provide certain immunity from liability; to regulate and prohibit the sale and offering for sale of drug paraphernalia under certain circumstances; to provide for the implementation of federal law; to provide for penalties and remedies; to provide for sanctions for violations of this act and local ordinances; to repeal certain acts and parts of acts; to repeal certain parts of this act; and to repeal certain parts of this act on specific dates," by amending section 16181 (MCL 333.16181), as amended by 1993 PA 80.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

333.16181 Temporary license; nonrenewable; exception; eligibility; duration; automatically voiding; supervision; issuance; study. [M.S.A. 14.15(16181)]

Sec. 16181. (1) Except as otherwise provided in subsection (2), a board may grant a nonrenewable, temporary license to an applicant who has completed all requirements for licensure except for examination or other required evaluation procedure. A board shall not grant a temporary license to an individual who has previously failed the examination or other required evaluation procedure or whose license has been suspended or revoked. A temporary license issued pursuant to this section is valid for 18 months, but a board shall automatically void the temporary license if the applicant fails the examination or other required evaluation procedure.

- (2) Until October 1, 2004, the Michigan board of nursing may grant a nonrenewable, temporary license to an applicant for a license under this article to engage in the practice of nursing as a registered professional nurse if the applicant is licensed as a registered professional nurse by an equivalent licensing board or authority in Canada. A temporary license issued under this subsection expires on the earliest of the following:
 - (a) One year after the date of issuance.
- (b) The date the applicant is notified that he or she failed the commission on graduates of foreign nursing schools qualifying examination, as approved by the department.
- (c) The date the applicant is notified that he or she failed the national council licensure examination, as approved by the department.
- (d) The date the applicant is issued a license under this article to engage in the practice of nursing as a registered professional nurse.

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- (3) The holder of a temporary license issued under subsection (1) shall practice only under the supervision of a licensee who holds a license, other than a health profession subfield license, in the same health profession. The holder of a temporary license issued under subsection (1) shall not be supervised by a licensee who holds a limited license or temporary license.
 - (4) The department shall promptly issue a temporary license.
- (5) The department in conjunction with the Michigan board of nursing, the Michigan nurses association, the Michigan health and hospital association, and any other group designated by the department for this purpose, shall conduct a study of the current and future needs of the professional nursing workforce in this state. The department shall include in the study recommendations for legislative and other action to address the needs identified in the study. The department shall submit the study to the members of the standing committees in the senate and the house of representatives with jurisdiction over matters pertaining to health policy not later than 1 year after the effective date of the amendatory act that added this subsection. As permitted by section 16315(9)(b), the department may use funds from the nurse professional fund created in section 16315 to conduct and publish the study required by this subsection.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect. Approved June 29, 2000. Filed with Secretary of State June 29, 2000.